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STATE FOR ECA/PE/V/P-ISABELLE ZSOLDOS/AZZA MOUNIB ZAKI  
INFO: ECA/PE/V/G/N-ALICE SHIFFLETT; SA/PD

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SUBJECT: FY-2004 MRP "U.S.FOREIGN POLICY AND COUNTER  
TERRORISM" JUNE 17-JULY 8, 2004: SRI LANKAN NOMINATION  
PROJECT NUMBER: E/VP-2004-0029

REF: (A) STATE 103436, (B) COLOMBO 0676

1. POST NOMINATES MR. NIMAL SENANAYAKE, SENIOR LEGAL  
ASSISTANT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR  
PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT PROJECT. POST CONFIRMS THAT  
THIS NOMINATION HAS "FULL COUNTRY TEAM APPROVAL."

2. NOMINATION IS AS FOLLOWS:  
START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):  
: The following data is in a fixed format which enables  
: automated processing in Washington and should not be  
: edited except by means of the Post-EVDB software.  
EXPORT-SOURCE: POST-EVDB  
VERSION: 3.0.7  
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START NOMINATION:  
ECA-OFFICE: E/VP  
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:  
POST-PROJ-ID: 96  
ECA-PROJ-NO: E/VP-2004-0029  
PROJ-NAME: U.S. Foreign Policy and Counter Terrorism -  
June 17-July 8, 2004  
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:  
PROJ-TYPE: Multi-Regional  
PROG-TYPE: IV Group Projects  
FY: 2004  
DEPART-POST: 06/15/2004  
SESSION-DATE: 06/17/2004  
RETURN-POST: 07/11/2004  
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This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Economic  
Prosperity and Security."  
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END MEMO POST-RCMD:  
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FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:  
STATUS: N  
ORIGINATOR: P  
SUBJ-DISC: Terrorism  
START BIO:  
PREFIX: Mr.  
F-NAME: Srimanthaka (Sri)  
M-NAME: Nimal  
L-NAME: SENANAYAKE  
SUFFIX:  
POSITION-CODE: 114  
PRINCIPAL?: Yes  
M-ADDR1: Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
M-ADDR2: Republic Square  
M-ADDR3:  
M-CITY: Colombo 1  
M-STATE:  
M-CNTRY: Sri Lanka  
M-ZONE:  
M-ZIP:  
M-PHONE: (94-11) 533-9414  
M-FAX:  
M-EMAIL:  
M-CNTRY-ID: CE  
M-ADDRTYPE: B  
GENDER: M  
DOB: 10/04/1959  
MAR-STAT: M  
BIRTH-CITY: Colombo  
BIRTH-CNTRY: Sri Lanka  
CITIZ-CNTRY: Sri Lanka

RES-CNTRY: Sri Lanka  
START MEMO POSITION:  
Senior Legal Assistant, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
1998- to date  
END MEMO POSITION:  
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
  
END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
1995-98 Legal Counsel at the Chambers of Faiz Mustapha,  
President's Counsel (PC)  
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
1999-2002 - several short visits to New York to attend  
the UN General Assembly sessions  
Sept. 2002 - Visited Washington, D.C. for State  
sponsored Counter Terrorism Legislation Training  
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
  
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
LL.B., University of Colombo, 1993  
Attorney-at-Law, Sri Lanka Law College, 1995  
END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
  
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
  
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This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Economic  
Prosperity and Security."  
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END MEMO VIS-REC:  
NOMINATING-OFFICER: Will Avery  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Mr. Sri Senanayake is one of the key players in the  
Legal Division of the Foreign Ministry in Colombo. Mr.  
Senanayake directly deals with the important anti  
terrorist issues. Foreign Ministry is the focal point  
in the GSL for fight against terrorism. Mr. Senanayake  
will greatly benefit from the IVP on U.S. Foreign  
Policy and Counter Terrorism. We expect the program to  
give him a good understanding of the need to combat  
terrorism and ways to combat terrorism. The  
interaction with counterparts from the U.S. and other  
countries will also help to strengthen ties between  
them and facilitate information exchange.  
Mr. Senayake's work at the Legal Division involves  
multifaceted subjects ranging from terrorism to  
negotiating bilateral agreements, UN issues etc. As a  
result, we have to seek Mr. Senanayake's assistance on  
various matters frequently ranging from terrorism  
cooperation, double tax treaty and demarche request  
status. Further, as the USG and GSL proceed along with  
TIFA, any future bilateral trade agreement will need to  
have strong cooperation from the MFA. In addition, Mr.  
Senanayake is likely to succeed the current head of the  
MFA Legal Division in the not too distant future.  
Post confirm that this nomination has "full country  
team approval."

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
NOM-OFF: ECON  
SPEAKER?: No  
NOTIFY-EMB: Yes  
MEDIA?: No  
HOME-STAY: Yes  
HOME-HOSP?: Yes  
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PERSON-ID: 133  
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COMMISSION: 0  
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VIS-AMOUNT: 0  
VIS-CAT: 5  
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END NOMINATION:  
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13. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOMINATION.  
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